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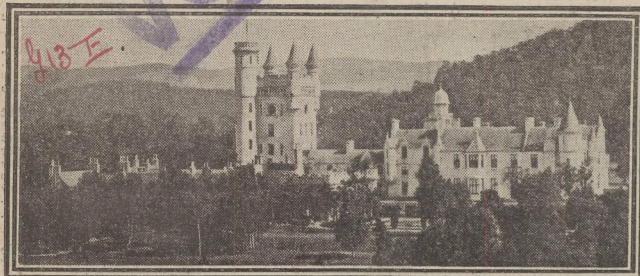
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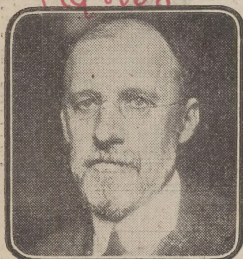
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THE KING, LABOUR AND THE NATION—OFFER OF CASTLE



Balmoral Castle, offered by his Majesty as a resort for wounded soldiers.

A NOTED DIPLOMAT.



Sir Cecil Spring Rice, late British Ambassador at Washington, who died suddenly at Ottawa yesterday.



The King with Mr. Harry Gosling.



Mr. Harry Gosling, who had charge of the arrangements, shaking hands with the Queen and Mr. Gilbert (taller figure) welcoming Princess Mary.

The King and Queen, who were accompanied by Princess Mary, paid a visit to Spring-gardens yesterday to inspect the panel given by the Trades Union Congress to the representatives of the Labour movement in America. Balmoral is one of the three royal residences offered to the nation by his Majesty, but its distance from London proved an insuperable difficulty.

"WE'RE NOT DONE YET"—THE GALLANT COMMANDER OF THE MARY ROSE.



Lieutenant-Commander Fox, who was killed.



Mrs. Fox and her children.—(Exclusive to The Daily Mirror.)

Lieut.-Commander Charles Fox, of H.M. torpedo-boat destroyer Mary Rose, who single-handedly attacked three of Germany's latest light cruisers in defending a convoy, has left to the annals of his service an episode not less glorious than that in which Sir Richard Grenville perished. "We're not done yet!" he shouted to his men amid the inferno when the vessel lay like a log on the water. The group, showing his wife and children, was taken by the gallant officer just before he went to sea for the last time.

TWO WAR HEROES.



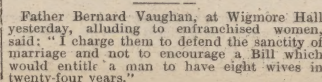
Capt. Harry Reeves, R.F.C., who has been accidentally killed in France. He was victorious in a number of air battles at the front and once successfully challenged five machines single-handedly, bringing them down.



Rfman. Albert Edward Shepherd, K.R.R.C., of Barnsley, one of the new V.C.s. He volunteered to rush a machine gun, which was holding up his company at point blank range, capturing the weapon and killing two of the crew.

"TO BEAT THE BEST."

By a recent Order in Council relating to aliens' employment, the National Service Ministry will be able to secure that Russians find employment in essential trades.



Sir Auckland Geddes' private secretary, replying to a communication from the Ironfounders Society, says: "In considering the order of releases, dilutees, other things, being equal should be taken first."

WAR NATIONAL WEIGHTS.

WAK NATIONAL WEIGHTS.

Run at Gatwick, March 21.—Captain Dreyfus 12 7, Carlg Park 12 0, Irish Mail 11 9, Lormouth 11 3, Ally Sloper 11 2, Limerick 11 9, Poshly 11 0, Bismard 10 11, Top 10 12, Clear Money 11 2, Waverter 10 11, Ballykisteen 10 12, Shaun Spadah 10 11, Lord Carmichael 11, Strong Boy 10 11, Mask Off 10 8, Good Example 10 8, Prospect 10 8, Queen's Mail 10 7, Bergant 10 7, Shallow 10 6, Ballykisteen 10 6, Peys 10 5, Minister Vale 10 4, Berneray 10 4, Chang 10 2, Awbo 10 0, Simon the Lepper 10 0, Schoolmoney 10 0, Matt McGrath 9 13, Pargue 9 12, Charlbury 9 10, Svetel 9 9, Sandhurst 9 9.

SMASHING RAID BY FRENCH ON CHAMPAGNE FRONT

Foe's Third Line Reached in Attack on 1,330 Yards Front 150 Captives.

AMERICAN GUNNERS HELP IN BARRAGE.

Another Canadian Raid on Foe—Germans Puzzled About Russia—Huns Fire on Brussels Crowds.

Big French Raid.—The French have carried out a surprise blow in Champagne on a front of 1,330 yards. Our Allies penetrated to the third defence line of the German positions. Defences and dug-outs were destroyed and over 150 prisoners were taken in the raid. American artillery lent very effective help in the barrage.

Busy Yser Huns.—There is, according to the *Matin*, much German activity in the Yser region. The Huns have constructed a great concrete dyke along the right bank of the river.

Strafing the Hun.—Canadians again raided the enemy trenches, killing Germans and capturing prisoners and machine guns. Our losses were nil.

REACHED THIRD LINE OF HUNS TO DEFEND UKRAINE THE GERMAN DEFENCES. AGAINST TROTSKY?

Smashing French Thrust Helped by the U.S. Gunners.

BIG SURPRISE BLOW.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

Wednesday Night (issued yesterday).—In Champagne, after a short artillery preparation, we carried out an extensive raid in the region south-west of the Butte du Mesnil on a front of about three-quarters of a mile.

Our detachments penetrated the German position as far back as the third line, shattering the enemy defences and destroying a large number of dug-outs.

Between February 1 and 10 my pilots brought down twenty-eight enemy machines.

Thursday Afternoon.—An enemy attempt against one of our small posts north of Pargny-Pilain failed.

In Champagne, in the big surprise attack of yesterday, American batteries lent us very effective support.

Our troops have organised the positions captured in the course of the attack in the region to the south-west of Butte du Mesnil.

The number of prisoners captured by us and counted up to the present exceeds 150.

Night.—To the north-west and to the east of Huns, we carried out some raids and brought back prisoners.

In Champagne there were fairly great artillery activity on both sides.

Our batteries caught under their fire and dispersed a strong enemy concentration reported to the south of the Dormoise.—Reuter.

GERMAN OFFICIAL.

Thursday Afternoon.—The English and French kept up their reconnaissances on many parts of the front.

As a result of this reconnoitring activity there were violent engagements north of Lens and in the Champagne.

The French have obtained a footing in a salient of our position north-east of Tahure.

Night.—In the Champagne there was often increased artillery activity in the sectors to the north of Prunay and to the south-east of Tahure.—Admiralty per Wireless Press.

A SPLENDID EXPLOIT.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY, FRANCE, Thursday.—American batteries co-operated efficaciously with the French troops in the operation among the Champagne hills, reported in last night's communiqué.

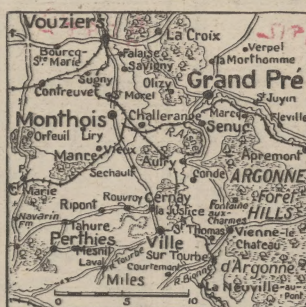
The scene of the operations—which, although described as a coup de main—was really a minor attack, the object being to bite off and retain a salient in the enemy's line which had become troublesome to the French—was in the sector between Tahure and the rugged mass of the Butte du Mesnil, the barrier against which the French waves of assault were brought to a standstill in September, 1915.

The attack was launched after a six hours' bombardment, which pulverised the enemy's local defences.

Infantry belonging to regiments whose records in the past guaranteed the success of the operation, swarmed over the enemy's line, occasionally breaking the centre of resistance with grenade attacks, but meeting with no opposition capable of checking them until they reached the final objective line.

In an hour they had advanced 1,200 yards on a front of 1,500, had driven the enemy off the ground and had made a hundred prisoners.

Our own artillery and the French and American guns worked in splendid precision.—Reuter's Special Service.



In Champagne, south-west of the Butte du Mesnil, on a front of 1,330 yards, the French, in a surprise blow, reached the third line of the German defences.

LATE NEWS.

DEATH SENTENCE PASSED ON BOLO PASHA.

Found Guilty of Conveying Intelligence to the Enemy.

UNANIMOUS VERDICT.

PARIS, Thursday.—Bolo was sentenced to death for conveying intelligence to the enemy.

The verdict was unanimous. Cavallini was sentenced to death though absent from France. This means that if he returns to France the sentence will be carried out. Forchere was sentenced to three years' imprisonment for "commerce with the enemy."—Exchange.

[Cavallini was a business associate of Bolo's and helped him in Italy.]

Forchere acted as a go-between in Bolo's dealings with the ex-Khedive of Egypt.

PARIS, Thursday.—In his address for the prosecution in the Bolo trial, Lieutenant Mornet built up a most damning case against the accused.

"Gentlemen," concluded Lieutenant Mornet, "with all my strength, with all my soul of a soldier, with all my heart of a patriot I ask you for the last time to impose the death penalty on Bolo."—Reuter.

CANADIANS AGAIN RAID ENEMY AT LENS.

Huns Killed and Captured and Machine Guns Taken.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, Thursday. 9.10 P.M.—Early this morning the enemy's trenches at Lens were again raided successfully by Canadian troops.

A number of Germans were killed and a few prisoners and two machine guns were captured. Our raiding party returned to our lines without loss.

Several other prisoners have been brought in by our patrols during the day on the southern portion of our front.

There has been some hostile artillery activity to-day in the neighbourhood of the Souchez River.

9.45 A.M.—Except for some hostile artillery activity, south-east of Epéhy and in the neighbourhood of Bullecourt, there is nothing of special interest to report.

GERMANS FIRE ON BELGIAN CROWDS AT BRUSSELS.

Pro-Germans Protected and Three Loyal Belgian Judges Arrested.

AMSTERDAM, Thursday.—Les Nouvelles, of Amsterdam, reports that the Belgian Government, having given orders to the Belgian magistrature in the occupied territory to prosecute all Activists (pro-Germans) guilty of having announced the fall of the Government of the King and of having proclaimed the autonomy of Flanders, the three Presidents of the Brussels Court of Cassation have arrested Pierre Tack and Dr. Borms, the two leaders of the Activist movement.

The Germans immediately hastened to the Palace of Justice, in Brussels, and arrested the three Presidents, and sent them to Germany.

The news spread through Brussels like wild fire. Delegates of 600 Brussels societies met last Thursday in the main square, where thousands of demonstrators had gathered. The police, and subsequently the soldiery, charged and fired upon the crowd.

UNITED TO SECURE JUSTICE AND PEACE.

Mr. Wilson Receives New British Envoy.

LORD READING'S MISSION

WASHINGTON, Thursday.—Lord Reading, presenting his credentials to President Wilson, said:—

His Majesty has directed me to express to you the earnest wish that the cordial relations which happily exist between Great Britain and the United States, and are now especially strengthened by the whole-hearted co-operation of the two nations in the great common cause, may for ever be maintained and may even gain strength.

These relations have their surest foundations in the ideals and traditions which animate the mind of both peoples.

It will be my earnest endeavour to carry out to the utmost of my power the high mission confided to me and to act in accordance with the spirit of the distinguished men who have preceded me in representing the Sovereign of my country.

I am sure in discharging my duties I shall find the greatest assistance in the hearty accord of an administration which is inspired by a sincere desire to co-operate in bringing the present conflict to a successful issue, thereby establishing the principles of justice between all nations.

OUR RIGHTEOUS CAUSE.

Replying to the Ambassador, Mr. Wilson said:—

Will you convey to his Majesty my appreciation of his sentiments and my confident expectation that the great principles of truth, liberty and honour, which the peoples of this country hold so dear, will increasingly serve as a broad and solid foundation upon which the friendship and cordial relations of the two Governments may rest and develop.

I believe that the righteous cause we are now prosecuting will serve to bind more closely the people of the United States and the people of Great Britain and the people of all other nations which desire the triumph of justice and liberty and the establishment of a peace which will last.

To this end I hope you will consult most freely with the established agencies of Government, so that both nations may be benefited thereby and that the cause which we have so much at heart will be the more speedily attained.

SIR C. SPRING-RICE DEAD.

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, late British Ambassador to the United States since 1912, died yesterday at Government House, Ottawa, while on a visit with his family to the Duke of Devonshire. He passed away practically in his sleep, having been unconscious for several hours.

A distinguished diplomat, with a varied experience, he was only fifty-nine. Lady Spring-Rice is left with a little girl of nine and a boy of eleven.

The late Sir Cecil did notable work for the Allies in presenting their case to America before she entered in war. The striking contrast between his methods and those of Count Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, had a great effect on American feeling.

GERMANY'S "ONLY HOPE" IN THE WEST.

"Two Hundred Divisions Foe's Maximum Strength."

According to the best military experts, sixty-five divisions are the smallest number of troops with which Germany can hold the Russian front, says Mr. Henry Wood, special correspondent of the United Press of America.

While it is not to be presumed that the Russians will ever again resume hostilities, yet, as long as Germany persists in holding the Russian territory now occupied, this is the smallest number of troops with which it can be done.

Two hundred divisions then is the maximum number of troops that Germany is likely to be able to mass for a big drive on the western front, this including Austrian divisions, of which there is already at least one in Belgium.

The using up of divisions in battles on the western front is so rapid that unless she won her big victory the very outset her chances of any ultimate success would be nil.

OUR AIRMEN BOMB ENEMY.

BRITISH AIR OFFICIAL.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FRANCE, Thursday. 9.0 P.M.—On the 13th inst. little work was possible owing to low clouds and rain.

A few reconnaissances were carried out by our aeroplanes in the early morning, and bombs were dropped on various targets.

SURVIVED THE GAME.



Captain Pearson, Y.M.C.A., acted as umpire for the Canadians in a baseball match.—(Canadian War Records.)

TIMBER GIRLS—



Riding home at the end of the day.

A forage corps composed of women is now attached to the Canadian Forestry Corps, which is now felling timber in the Cumberland woods.

PORTRAITS OF INTEREST.



Lady Marion Hastings, maid of honour to the Viceroy of Ireland, who has nursed on the front.



Lady Ronaldshay, wife of the Governor of Bengal, whose health compels her return to England.

"THE OLD CURIOSITY SHOP."



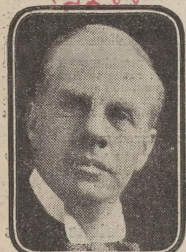
The Scottish prisoners of war have benefited to the extent of £400 by the curio shop opened in Edinburgh. Two of the saleswomen.

WHILE THE GOTHAS HOVER ABOVE.



Taking cover. Women who are wearing gas masks in a cellar in Paris after the signal had been given that the Gothas were there.

COURSING AT PETERBOROUGH: THE BARBICAN CUP MEETING.



SCOTTISH PAINTER.—Mr. D. V. Cameron, of Kippen, one of the three men just elected to the Royal Scottish Academy.



BRIDE-TO-BE.—Miss Juliet Browne, granddaughter of the late Lord Kilmarnock, to wed Capt. R. W. Seton-Karr, K.R.R.C.



Kennel companions alighting from their conveyance on the course.

Sergeant H. Rolf, a heavy-weight Army boxing champion, is seen with Mr. E. Rolph's John Bull III., which defeated Sir R. W. B. Jardine's Jakin in the third round.



Sergeant H. Rolf.

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DOUBLE HONOURS.



Pte. F. J. Shirley awarded bar to his M.C. Both honours were won for dressing wounded and saving lives.



The Countess of Huntingdon, who organised tableaux at Dublin for Irish prisoners of war.

—HARD AT WORK.



They shoulder very heavy loads.

The girls work for the great part in the big sawmills, where they have been assigned a variety of useful duties, hitherto performed only by men.

A HOSPITAL WEDDING



Q.M.S. H. Doyle and his bride, Miss Lilian Tabor, a V.A.D. nurse at the Great Shelford Red Cross Hospital.

SALVAGE WORK BY THE R.F.C. IN FRANCE.



Renovating and reassembling aeroplanes. One of the machines which is being "tinkered" is a gift from the Gold Coast.—(Official photograph.)

"MRS. SIDDONS" HELPS A HOSPITAL.



A doll representing Reynolds' picture of Mrs. Siddons, which, sold and resold for the Royal Free Hospital, fetched £108.

"IRELAND'S ROEHAMPTON"—DISABLED MEN LEARN TRADES.

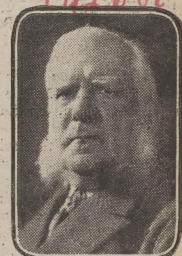


At his fretwork machine.



Major Potter and Lady Fitzgerald Arnott visit the carpenters' shop.

A hospital where disabled soldiers learn various trades has been established at Blackrock, Dublin. It is under the supervision of Major Potter, who has just been invalided from France.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



A FAMOUS K.C.—Sir Edward Clarke, who will be 76 years old today. He has made several contributions to ecclesiastical literature.



ADMIRAL DEAD.—Admiral A. A. C. Galloway, who has just died, aged 62. He was formerly an A.D.C. to the King.

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DIPLOMACY AND FIGHTING.

IT is unfortunate that there should still be so much disagreement between those who believe partly in the war of words, or diplomacy, in dealing with the enemy; and those who believe in the war of weapons only.

Observant men who have attended the debates in the House of Commons since Tuesday will agree that there is still an important difference between these points of view.

Mr. Balfour's speech, putting diplomacy out of court just now, was punctuated by vigorous cries of dissent, for example, from all parties throughout the House—not by "pacifists," be it carefully remarked, alone. All critics of Mr. Balfour are not "pacifists," and they gave the House very moderate but cogent reasons for believing that we neglect our opportunities in the war of words; just as (to be frank) we have in the past sometimes neglected them in the war of weapons also.

Could a neutral observer bring Mr. Balfour into line with his critics on the essential point?

Perhaps, since the disagreement really is one about words.

Mr. Balfour declared that this is no time for diplomacy.

Quite true, if by that you mean the old diplomacy of secret territory-chopping and handing over peoples and zones of influence from one Power to another.

Not true at all, if you mean the diplomacy of principles, of ideals, of general statement; such as, with all reserve, President Wilson has rightly given us. What a pity that Mr. Balfour who liked and was so much liked by President Wilson when he visited America cannot now again have a good long talk with him!—he would then at least realise that there is a difference, in words at least, between the spokesmen of Austria and Germany!

For the new diplomacy, then, this is a time—is perhaps the great, the supreme, occasion. The new diplomacy must work to get the peoples of the Central Empires to hear the truth.

That is one point, which might help to reconcile the two views now evidently at variance in the House of Commons.

Another is this—Mr. Balfour regards it as hopeless to get reason from the Hindenburgs and Hertlings.

So it is: but who hopes or expects to get reason from them? We shall never get reason from them, not even when we beat them.

But the point is that evidence, much evidence, shows that they are becoming profoundly unpopular in their own country; and our duty is to increase their unpopularity by our appeal to all other elements and sections of the German race. This appeal is constantly and usefully made by President Wilson, who does not believe that the new diplomacy is dead since it has not yet thoroughly come to life.

It is being tried, and we must help to give it life every day.

To suppose that such an attempt need imply a relaxation of military effort is simply one of those imbecile suggestions so constantly made by lunatics at this time.

W. M.

IN MY GARDEN.

FEB. 14.—Whenever the soil is in a suitable condition, shallots may be planted. Choose an open site of well-dug soil and set the bulbs in rows that run 2in. apart, each bulb being about 8in. apart in the row. Sow a box of lettuce in a sunny frame or greenhouse.

Horse-radish can also be got in this month and Jerusalem artichokes must be planted as soon as possible. Place these 4in. deep and let them be set quite 1ft. apart.

E. F. T.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

How to live I know: how to know myself I know not.—Goethe.



New picture of the Countess of Pembroke, who has recently been 'mentioned' for her hospital work.



Mrs. Bell, a war-worker since 1914, is mother of Miss Madge Saunders and has two soldier sons.

U.S. AND US.

New Welsh Parliamentary Party—London To Have the Tanks Again.

ALL THE political gossips were busy yesterday making Lord Reading into our Ambassador to the United States. The appointment would certainly be popular with the Americans, but I fancy the Special Envoy would not willingly surrender his high office as Lord Chief Justice of England.

Wales a Nation.—In the Lobby they tell me that Major David Davies, M.P., is push-

TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

The King in Spring Gardens.—I saw the King and Queen in Spring-gardens yesterday, inspecting a panel given by the Trades Union Congress to representatives of the Labour movement in the States. They were accompanied by the Prince of Wales, who has become tanned in Italy, and Princess Mary.

Welcoming the Royal Visitors.—The King was welcomed by Mr. Harry Gosling and by Mr. Percy Harris, the deputy chairman of the London County Council.

Giving London Another Chance.—I heard from the National War Savings Committee yesterday that it is now definitely arranged that London shall have another chance to beat the Glasgow and Birmingham Tank War Bonds' records.

A Tank for Every Borough.—Mr. George Sutton, who successfully directs the money-collecting efforts of the tanks, tells me that the idea is to have one in every London borough, so that each shall have a chance.

The Freaks.—Sir Arthur Pinero, greatly daring, has produced a problem play in the mid-current of the war. If "The Freaks"—the new comedy at the New Theatre—amuses, it also puzzles. Five of the characters are "freaks" from a circus.

A Problem.—But who are the real freaks? That, as it seemed to me, was the problem. Were they those physically abnormal people or were they, on the other hand, the mentally and morally abnormal people who affected to patronise them?

A Great Play.—Throughout the acting was wonderful. Miss Irene Rorke, Miss Laura Cowie, Miss Isobel Elsom, Mr. Fred Kerr and Mr. Nigel Playfair—all gave us of their best. And I have never seen a more effective "curtain" than that which fell on Scene II.

Resigned.—I am sorry to see that Sir Edward Webley-Parry-Pryse, the Cardigan-shire baronet, has had to lay down his commission on account of ill-health.

A New Queue.—I was on an Underground platform last night when I spied an official filling up the automatic match-merchant. Rejoicing I extracted a couple of boxes, and, turning round, found that an expectant queue of match-seekers had formed up behind.

Early Lunchers.—The hour of lunch has had a tendency to be earlier since the war began. This was partly due to the fact that so many people rose earlier on account of war work and they wanted lunch sooner.

Be in Time.—There is now another reason for hastening to the lunch-table. There is a danger of dishes containing meat being "off" before one arrives.

No Late Nights.—The dinner-hour is correspondingly advanced. When I suggested the pre-war hour of eight o'clock to a friend home on leave he was horrified. "There'll be none of the evening left by the time we get through dinner!" he cried.

Denied.—The literary friend who told me that Mr. Lloyd George was writing an autobiography was misinformed and misinforming. I am told by one who knows that the Premier has not the time, even if he had the intention. I am sorry!

The Chaplain's Handbook.—That popular cleric, the Rev. Everard Digby, has written a little guide, philosopher and friend for Army chaplains, and the cheerful title of it is "Tips for Padres." I notice that it is dedicated to the battalion of the London Regiment to which Mr. Digby was attached.

"Canada in Khaki."—Those who know a good thing will be pleased to hear that there are still a few copies of "Canada in Khaki" (Vol. II.) left at the newsagents and book-stalls. Three shillings buys a budget of art and literature such as has been seldom offered.

Erudite.—Mr. Edmund Gosse, who has been telling the members of the Royal Institution how La Rochefoucauld, and other French writers no longer with us, influenced the war, is better known as a writer than a lecturer. He is librarian to the House of Lords, and has had the honour of being caricatured by Mr. Max Beerbohm.

New Zangwill Play.—Mr. Zangwill will be fortunate in the interpreters of his new piece, "Too Much Money." I notice that the cast includes such capable people as Miss Lillah McCarthy, Miss Mary Brough, Miss Lettice Fairfax and Mr. Marshall Allen.

Not Now.—Mr. W. H. Berry tells me that since the war began he has not been able to go in much for his favourite hobby of sea fishing. Gardening has taken its place.

Gives Warning.—A flapper told me yesterday that the reason she smokes cigarettes in the streets on dark nights is to protect herself from collisions with others who walk by faith and not by sight.

Viscount Vocalist.—To the list of writing peers must be added the name of Viscount Gladstone, who is writing a memoir of the late W. G. C. Gladstone. "H. G." as he was known in the old House of Commons days, has a graceful way of putting things, and likewise a tenor voice of unusual sweetness.

THE RAMBLER.

TROUBLE IN STORE FOR THE "LOST-MY-BAG" WOMAN.

DAILY OCCURRENCES IN THE LIVES OF SOME WOMEN



When rations and food coupons begin she will lose everything, just as she does now, and this will bring her husband to the verge of despair.—(By W. K. Haselden.)

ing forward a vigorous Welsh national policy. One of his "planks" is a Welsh Office, with a Welsh Secretary—just the same as Scotland. His motto is: "Wales a nation."

Ducal Debutantes.—If it were not for this protracted war we should soon witness the coming-out of Lady Diana Somerset, the Duchess of Beaufort's second girl, a fearless rider to hounds; also of Lady Dorothy Cavendish, daughter of the Duke of Devonshire.

There Are Others.—Among other debutantes, I am reminded, would be Lady Ursula Blackwood, Lady Dufferin's second daughter, and Lady Caroline, third daughter of Lady Normanton.

A Good Record.—When I met him the other day, Lord Aldenham chanced to mention, with pardonable pride, that there is not a single member of his family—the Gibbes—of fighting age not serving.

This inter-borough rivalry in London should work as effectively as inter-town rivalry has already done.

A Good Show.—I looked in at the Court yesterday, and saw a bit of the show given by the "Anzac Coves." This is exactly the same performance as they have been giving behind the lines to the soldiers, and all I can say is the said soldiers were lucky.

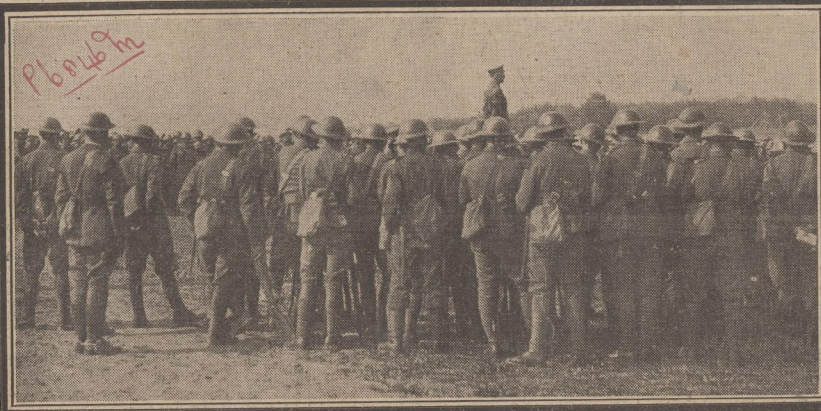
Overflow.—So great was the crowd at the Speaker's House yesterday that Mrs. Lowther had an overflow meeting. Lady Jersey and Lady Askwith were suddenly called on to speak of the work of the W.A.A.C.s in France and their need for more huts.

Present.—The Speaker put off his attendance in the House, he told us, to preside. Sitting below him I saw the young Marchioness of Carisbrook and near her Lady Auster and Lady Swaythling.

THE NEW MAGNA CHARTA:

BY MR. HORATIO BOTTOMLEY,
IN THE "SUNDAY PICTORIAL."

GENERAL ADDRESSES THE VICTORIOUS CANADIANS.



General Sir H. S. Horne, K.C.B., addressing Canadian troops at the front. Fine raids by the Overseas troops, in which booty and prisoners were secured, are reported by Sir Douglas Haig.—(Canadian War Records.)

BASEBALL IN THE STRAND



American soldiers and sailors play baseball every day on the waste space in the Strand; and there is always an interested crowd.

IN RECOGNITION OF MERIT.



Flight-Sergeant Dodd, who has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, being presented with a gold watch and chain by his former employers.

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A COUNTESS'S WAR WORK.



The Countess of Pembroke, who has been mentioned for her nursing services, with her young family.

TWO PORTRAITS OF INTEREST



Lady Howse, whose husband, Surg.-Gen. Sir N. R. Howse, V.C., C.B., F.R.C.S., is on the Advisory Council of Artificial Limbs.



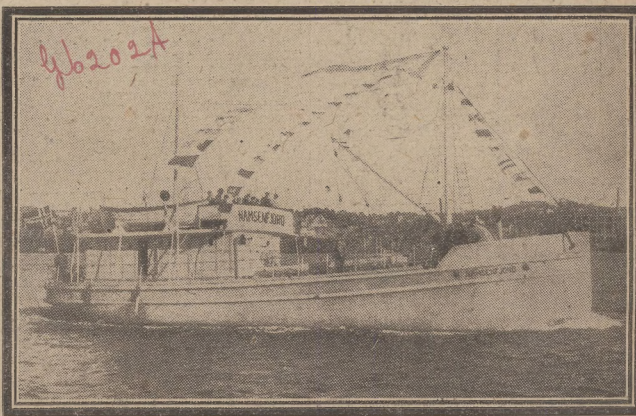
A new portrait of Lady Thurstby, whose husband, Rear-Admiral Sir Cecil F. Thurstby, K.C.M.G., has had a distinguished career in the Navy.

WELSH GUARDS' FINE WIN AT RANELAGH.



Private Cartwright (Welsh Guards) breaks through near the touch-line in the match against the R.N. Depot at Ranelagh. The Guards won easily.

NORWEGIANS BUILD A NEW TYPE OF SHIP.



The Namsenfjord, the world's first steel-concrete sea-going motor vessel, undergoing her trials. She has just been completed by a Norwegian firm.